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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOSCH, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E. C. SAMUEL DEAN & Co., 150 & 152, Leadenhall Street.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WOOD, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOSCH, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

CHINA.—SWANSON, QUELON & CAMPBELL, Amoy, Whampoa, Hongkong, Shanghai, Canton, and other ports. LAM, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & WILSON, Manila, Cebu, Zamboanga, and other ports. L. A. DA SILVA, Macao.

BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, \$500,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—H. HOPKINS, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—F. D. BARBOUR, Esq.
E. R. BELLING, Esq., W. H. FORBES, Esq., HON. W. KESWICK, Esq., Ed. TORIN, Esq., A. McIVER, Esq.

CHINA MANAGER.

Hongkong, .. THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. Manager.
Shanghai, .. EYEN CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Grants granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA.

CAPITAL, £800,000.

RESERVE FUND, £110,000.

BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

Local Bills discounted, and interest allowed on Current Accounts and on Deposits for fixed periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

FROM This Date Mr EDWARD SHEPPARD and Mr M. W. GREGG, are authorized to Sign the name of our Firm per Procuration at Foochow, and Mr F. F. ELWELL at Amoy.

RUSSELL & Co.

China, June 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

MR. EDWARD BURNIE will Conduct the BUSINESS of my OFFICE, during my Temporary Absence from the Colony.

R. H. CAIRNE,

Surveyor to Local Office, and Lloyd's Register of Shipping, 2, Club Chambers, Hongkong, March 17, 1877.

NOTICE.

BY Mutual Consent, the Firm of F. FREERKE, RODATZ & Co. has been DISSOLVED on this Day.

R. FREERKE,

G. C. F. RODATZ, Hongkong, June 30, 1877.

THE Undersigned, Establishing themselves This Day as SHIPCHANDLERS and GENERAL STOREKEEPERS under the style and Firm of RODATZ & Co., have taken over the Business of the late Firm of FREERKE, RODATZ & Co.

G. C. F. RODATZ,

C. KOCH, Hongkong, July 2, 1877.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

MR. F. C. DITTMER is authorized to Sign our Firm per Procuration. SANDER & Co. Hongkong, June 23, 1877.

NOTICE.

MR. D. MOSS and Mr. H. JOHNSTON have This Day been ADMITTED PARTNERS in the Firm of THOS. HOWARD & Co., Merchants, London and Hongkong. THOS. HOWARD & Co. Hongkong, July 9, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has been Appointed AGENT at this Port for THE POSITIVE GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED).

W. H. NOTLEY.

Hongkong, June 6, 1877.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day Established myself as SHIPBROKER. ROBERT DROSS. Hongkong, June 25, 1877.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Mr J. McDONALD, to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,

the 24th day of July, 1877, at 11 o'clock a.m., at the West Point Patent Slip,—

The whole of the STOCK-IN-TRADE, comprising:—

1 Large Self-acting Circular Saw, with Planing Machine attached; Macdonald & Co., makers.

1 General Joiner, with Tools; Macdonald & Co., makers.

1 Saw Sharpener.

1 Shafting and Pulleys.

1 Treadmill Turning Machine.

Hydraulic Pumps. Jack Screws.

1 Dividing Dress.

Rubber and Rubber Belting.

Felt, Bellows, Drills.

Assorted Iron (Govan Best).

Steel, Copper Plates, Yellow Metal Rods, Tubes, Taps and Dies, Anvils.

Assorted Chains, Blacksmiths' Tools, Moulding Sand.

3 Crab Winches.

Terms of Sale.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, July 11, 1877.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Mr W. H. MOSS, Esq., Marshal of the Vice-Admiralty Court of Hongkong, to sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 26th day of July, 1877, at 11 o'clock a.m., at the Sales Rooms of the Undersigned,—

The American Barkentine "ROSINA,"

Of 406 Tons Register or thereabouts, as she now lies in the Harbour of Hongkong, with Two Suits of Working SAILS, One Suit NEW SAILS, 1,500 superficial feet LUMBER, PROVISIONS, CHAINS, ANCHORS, BOATS, and all her Appurtenances.

The Vessel was Remettled and Repaired in New York, in December, 1874, and there classed "A1," for Four Years in American Lloyd's. She was again Remettled and Repaired at Melbourne, in November, 1876, at a Cost of about \$1,000 and supplied with the New Suit of Sails referred to at a Cost of over \$200, and was then certified by the Surveyor to the Merchant Shipping and Underwriters Association Limited, as being fit to Carry Dry and Perishable Cargo to any part of the World. She Carries 380 tons of Coals or 800 tons Light Cargo of 40 cubic feet, 8,000 piculs of Rice on 14 feet Draught. She is a fast Sailing Vessel, and is in Complete Order for Sea on the shortest notice.

She has Four BOW TIMBER PORTS, two in the Lower-Hold 32 x 32 inches, and two in the Tween Decks 40 x 28 inches.

For further Particulars and Inventory, apply to the Undersigned.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on the fall of the hammer in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

The Vessel to be at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Government Auctioneer.

Hongkong, July 15, 1877.

Insurances.

THE NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE CO.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL—Taels Two Million, in 1,000 shares of Taels 2,000 each. PAID UP CAPITAL—Taels Six Hundred Thousand, or Taels 600 per share.

PROVISIONAL COMMITTEE.

F. H. BELL, Esq. (Messrs Adamson, Bell & Co.)
M. S. GUNNAY, Esq. (Messrs David Sassoon, Sons & Co.)
JAMES HART, Esq. (Messrs Turner & Co.)
E. H. LAYERS, Esq. (Messrs Gilman & Co.)
HUGH SUTHERLAND, Esq. (Messrs John Forster & Co.)
A. G. WOOD, Esq. (Messrs Gibb, Livingston & Co.)

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

Secretary—HERBERT S. MORRIS, Esq. BANKERS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. BRANCHES.

LONDON (25, Cornhill, E.C.), HONGKONG, YOKOHAMA.

AGENCIES.

At the principal ports in the East and Australian Colonies.

THE Company will be constituted on the 1st January, 1878, as a permanent Marine Insurance Company, to carry on the business (established in 1863) of the NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY, 1875-1877.

A Reserve Fund will be formed of Taels 400,000, by setting aside a portion of the profits at such times and in such sums as the Shareholders shall decide.

The net profits of the Company for each year will be divided amongst the Shareholders in the following manner:—

One-third of the Shares, a portion thereof being set aside for the formation of a Reserve Fund as above stated.

Two-thirds of the Shares, in proportion to the Premiums paid or to be paid by them.

A revision of the Share List will take place at the end of every three years, and for this purpose power will be given to the Directors by the Deed of Settlement to withdraw at the before-mentioned periods all or any of the Shares held by Shareholders who have not contributed Premiums or whose contributions during the preceding three years have not been in proportion to the number of Shares held.

Shareholders retiring from the Company in pursuance of the above regulation, will be notified at least three months prior to the date fixed for any such revision of the Share List, and will have the option of disposing of their Shares in either of the following ways:—

They will be at liberty at any time after receipt of notice of withdrawal, and prior to the date of revision, to sell their Shares to any person approved by the Company and accepted as the transferee; or

Upon surrendering their scrip certificate for cancellation at the time of such revision, and pursuant to notice, will receive a return of the Capital paid up thereon; and so soon after as the financial position of the Company up to the date of the revision can be ascertained and the accounts adjusted, they shall also receive a pro-rata share of the Reserve Fund, if any accumulated, together with such proportion of the unappropriated profits as may be found due to them.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Applications for Shares in the undermentioned form will be received at the offices of the Company, from residents in China and Japan, until the 30th September; from London and distant ports until 31st October next.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR SHARES.

To the Provisional Committee of the NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY.

Gentlemen,

I hereby request that you will allot to me Shares in the above Company, and agree to accept such Shares, or any less number you may allot to me; and agree to pay the first call of Tls. 600 per Share, and all subsequent calls, and to subscribe the Deed of Settlement when required to do so.

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

Forms of application for Shares can be obtained at the Head-office, or by application to the Agents of the Company.

Shanghai, June 18, 1877.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned regret to inform their Customers, that in consequence of the VERY GREAT ADVANCE in the PRICE OF FLOUR, they will be compelled TO RAISE the Price of their First Quality BREAD One Cent per Pound, Commencing from the 1st July, 1877.

HONGKONG AND CHINA BAKERY CO., LIMITED.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., General Managers.

DORABJEE NOWROJEE.

Hongkong, June 21, 1877.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

THE POST OF SECRETARY will be vacant on 1st August next.

Applications, addressed to the CHAIRMAN, will be received up to Noon of the 21st July, prox. Salary, \$1,200 per annum.

Hongkong, June 25, 1877.

Intimations.

DEVOS'S BRILLIANT OIL.

RELIABLE, ECONOMICAL, SAFE!!

DESIRING to benefit by the world-wide reputation of our Oil, certain parties have attempted to imitate our packages. Suits at law have been instituted against the MAKERS and FURNISHERS of these imitations. Buyers should be careful to see that the words "DEVOS'S BRILLIANT" are stencilled on the cases, and the words "DEVOS MFG CO. PATENTS" are stamped on the top of the can.

THE DEVOS MANUFACTURING Co., 80 Beaver and 127 Pearl Streets, NEW YORK, U.S.A.

THE UNION MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been Appointed AGENTS of the above Company at HONGKONG and FOOCHOW, are prepared to accept Risks and Issue Policies by any First-Class Steamers, at current rates, Payable either here, in LONDON, in LIVERPOOL, or at the principal Ports of INDIA and the East.

BIRLEY & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 21, 1877.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Eleventh Ordinary MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Head Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 31st instant, at 3 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 30th April last, and of declaring Dividends.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to 31st instant, both days inclusive.

By Order, W. H. RAY, Secretary.

Hongkong, July 9, 1877.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN Extraordinary MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Head Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 31st instant, at 3.30 p.m., in order to take into consideration a Special Resolution to add a Regulation to the existing Articles of Association of the Company, authorizing the Company so far to modify the conditions contained in its Memorandum of Association, as by subdivision of its existing Shares to divide its Capital into Shares of smaller amount than is fixed by its Memorandum of Association, in accordance with the provisions of Sections XX and XXI of "The Companies Ordinance 1877."

By Order, W. H. RAY, Secretary.

Hongkong, July 9, 1877.

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By Order, W. H. RAY, Secretary.

Hongkong, July 9, 1877.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN Extraordinary MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Office are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contribution for the Year ending 31st December, 1876, in order that the distribution of the Net Profits reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st August next, will be adjusted by the Office, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, May 1, 1877.

DENTAL NOTICE.

ON and after the 28th of May, Dr. STOUT'S Consulting and Operating ROOMS will be on the Ground Floor of the Hotel de L'UNIVERS.

Hongkong, May 26, 1877.

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS has Returned to Hongkong, and will be ready to Receive Patients on MONDAY, June 28th.

Office, No. 7, Arbuthnot Road.

Hongkong, June 20, 1877.

PIANO TUNING, REPAIRING, &c.

LADIES and GENTLEMEN Desirous of having their PIANOS REPAIRED by the Undersigned, will please oblige with early orders, as he is about to Return to SHANGHAI.

Orders may be left with Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., or Messrs GUTH & Co. A. HARR.

Hongkong, July 19, 1877.

Intimations.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-second Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 50 A Queen's Road, on WEDNESDAY, the 25th July instant, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of Receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and electing Directors and Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors, P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, July 3, 1877.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 25th day of July instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, July 3, 1877.

HONGKONG & CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to the 28th instant, both days inclusive.

A. NEWTON, Manager.

Hongkong, July 2, 1877.

MANCHESTER.—An Englishman Resident and engaged for many years in Business as Cotton Manufacturer, and Agent for several of the best Spinnings and Manufactures of all classes of Goods shipped to the Eastern Markets, and with also a large Miscellaneous experience, wishes to represent Solely an INDIAN, CHINESE or JAPANESE FIRM to conduct their Business in England, or would enter into Partnership. Strict confidence offered and courted. Box 573, General Post Office, Manchester, England.

NOTICE.

MRS. G. B. FALCONER, Widow and Administratrix of the late G. B. FALCONER (sole and only Partner of the Firm of GEORGE FALCONER & Co., Watch Manufacturers, Jewellers, &c., &c., Hongkong), and Mr MATTHEW FALCONER, Brother of the Deceased, beg respectfully to intimate that they have agreed to CONTINUE the BUSINESS so long carried on by the late Mr FALCONER.

In making this announcement, they have pleasure in stating that they have made such arrangements that the efficiency and high reputation formerly enjoyed by the Firm, will be maintained in its entirety in all its branches.

The Stock, as hitherto, will consist of EVERY ARTICLE of the BEST QUALITY and WORKMANSHIP, and they hope to be favoured with a continuance of that patronage which was so liberally extended to the late Mr FALCONER, and, in soliciting such, no efforts will be wanting to inspire that confidence on the part of their Customers which was so marked a feature in the Business as formerly conducted.

The Business will be carried on in the old Premises under the same Name and Style as hitherto, viz.,

GEORGE FALCONER & Co. Hongkong, July 2, 1877.

For Sale.

AERATED WATERS, IN CODD'S PATENT GLASS STOPPERED BOTTLES.

FROM the 1st July, the Price of all kinds of AERATED WATERS will be only

FORTY CENTS Per Dozen.

Intimations.

W. BALL,
CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS,
DRUGGISTS' Sundries, TOILET
REQUISITES, PATENT MEDI-
CINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness,
and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG,
Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf,
Hongkong, July 13, 1877.

A THOROUGH CORRESPONDENT
AND ARITHMETICIAN Desires an
ENGAGEMENT.
"Activity," care of this Office.
Hongkong, May 26, 1877.

K WONG HING CHEUNG & Co.,
COAL MERCHANTS,
Have always on hand for Sale every
description of COAL at Moderate Prices.
Mr. ARYON has been appointed Manager,
and all Orders addressed to him at 57,
Praya, or to Mr. FAT JACK, at 30, Hing
Lung Street, will receive immediate attention.
Hongkong, March 19, 1877. mcl9

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:—

MATTHEWS, American ship, Capt. John
C. Dawes.—Douglas Lapraik & Co.

LEADING WIND, American ship, Captain
F. M. Hinckley.—Meyer & Co.

LOUISA, German 3-m. schooner, Captain
H. Schlarb.—E. Schellhaas & Co.

JAKO, Russian ship, Capt. C. F. Moberg.
—Order.

ANNIE S. HALL, American 3-m. schooner,
Captain C. H. Nelson.—Douglas Lapraik
& Co.

EXID, British bark, Captain Braithwaite.
—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

ALPHINGTON, British barque, Captain C.
Cunningham.—Wieler & Co.

To Let.

TO LET.

THE Dwelling House and Offices No. 1,
D'Aguilar Street, lately in the occupa-
tion of Messrs DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
The Dwelling House No. 1, Alexandra
Terrace.

The Dwelling House No. 8, Gough Street.
The Dwelling House No. 10, Gough
Street. Possession from 1st August next.
The Bungalow No. 8, Shelley Street.
The Bungalow No. 5, Old Bally Street.
Possession from 1st September next.

Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, July 9, 1877.

TO LET.

HOUSE Nos. 8 and 9, Seymour Terrace.
House No. 10, Albany Road, lately
occupied by the Rev. R. H. KIRD.
"Bine's Villa," Pok-fu-lum, Furnished.
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, February 16, 1877.

TO LET.

With Immediate Possession.

THE Upper Part of No. 62, PRAYA,
either for OFFICES or GOWNING.
Apply to
ROBERT MORE.
Hongkong, July 5, 1877. au1

TO BE LET.

THE Premises No. 33, Queen's Road,
late in the occupation of THE BONNET
COMPANY, LIMITED.
Apply to
TURNER & Co.
Hongkong, May 10, 1877.

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use
of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now
ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.
CHINA MAIL Office.

Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. **NEPUER** and
MIRAZORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named Vessel, from London, Bombay
and Intermediate Ports, and in connection
with the Steamer **HYDASPES** from Cal-
cutta, are hereby notified that their Goods
are being landed and stored at their risk in
the Company's Godowns, at West Point,
whence delivery can be obtained from this
date.
Goods not delivered by the 15th July
will be subject to sale.

ADAM LIND,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, July 15, 1877. jyl5

**BRITISH BARK ENID, FROM
LONDON.**

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named Vessel are hereby requested to
send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned
for countersignature, and to take im-
mediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the
Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-
signees' risk and expense.

ARNOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 7, 1877.

Notices to Consignees

**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.**

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo
are requested to send in their Bills of
Lading to the Undersigned for counter-
signature, and take immediate delivery.
This Cargo has been landed and stored at
their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

R. DU POUY,
Agent.
Ex "Pei Ho."
J. G. No. 1, 1 case Books, from Marseilles.
O. F. G. No. 20, 1 case do. do.
Samples, Order, do. do.

C. G. M. (in triangle) 59 bags, from Galle.
Y. B. Ginger, Order, do. do.

A. R. 1 bale Cotton, Order, do. do.

N. (in diamond) 11 bales, from Saigon.
Sundries, Son Ly, do. do.

K. Y. 6 pkgs. Sundries, do. do.
Gysantal, do. do.

F. T. 15 pkgs. Medicine, do. do.
Hi Tai, do. do.

Hongkong, July 14, 1877.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.
The Steamship
"NINGPO,"

R. OAS, Master, will be de-
spatched for the above Port on
TUESDAY, the 17th Instant, at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, July 16, 1877. jyl7

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.
The Steamship
"DOUGLAS,"

Captain PITMAN, will be de-
spatched for the above Ports on
WEDNESDAY, the 18th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, July 16, 1877. jyl8

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have re-
ceived instructions to sell by
Public Auction, (if not previously dis-
posed of by Private Sale), on

SATURDAY,

the 21st July, 1877, at Noon,—

THE WOOD PADDLE STEAMER
"MINNA,"

as she now lies at East Point, opposite
Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & Co's.

Built 1873, Length 63 feet, Beam
9 feet, Mean Draft of Water 2½ feet,
Fitted with Two High Pressure Geared
Engines of 8 H. P. Nominal, Cylinders
8 inches diameter, Stroke 10 inches, and
Cross-Tubed Boiler, adapted to Burn
Coal or Wood; Boiler, Engines, and
Hull, in good order.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

The Lot with all faults and errors of
description to be at purchasers' risk on
the fall of the hammer.

For further Particulars, apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
Auctioneers,
Hongkong, July 16, 1877. jyl21

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

July 14, 10.30 p.m., Yotung, British
steamer, 286, N. W. Hawkins, Haiphong

July 11, 12.30 p.m., General.—Kwong
Lee Yuen & Co.

July 15, *Adria*, British steamer, 781, W.
E. Breeze, Saigon July 10, Rice.—P. & O.
S. N. Co.

July 15, *Ningpo*, from Canton.

July 15, *Wang-hen*, Chinese gun-boat,
from a cruise.

July 15, *Patroclus*, British steamer, 1650,
W. Courtenay, Liverpool May 29, via ports
of call, and Singapore July 9, General.—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

DEPARTURES.

July 15, *Charlotte Andrews*, for Quinhon.

15, *Mirapora*, for Shanghai.

15, *Malacca*, for Yokohama.

15, *Lotos*, for Yokohama.

15, *Hieronymus*, for Chetoo.

15, *Maria Louisa* (Gen. barque), for
Bangkok.

15, *E. M. Young*, for Amoy.

15, *Penedo*, for Bangkok.

15, *China*, for Canton.

15, *Wang-hai*, Chinese g.-b., for a
cruise.

15, *Chun Tung*, Obl. g.-b., for a cruise.

15, *May*, for Fochow.

15, *Viscount MacDuff*, for Nohwang.

15, *Messa*, for Fochow.

15, *Taiwan*, for Amoy and Tamsui.

15, *Elgin*, for Samarang.

CLEARED.

Crested Wave, for Fochow.

Bonita (Gen. sch.), for Haiphong.

Evening Star, for Lachtkowen (Cochin-
China).

Chinamin, for Bangkok.

Roderick Hay, for Tientsin.

Penrit, for Manila.

Patroclus, for Shanghai.

Belled Will, for Shanghai.

Morro Castle, for Negasaki.

PASSENGERS.

Per *Patroclus*, from Liverpool, &c., Mr
Donaldson for Shanghai, and 640 Chinese
for Amoy.

Per *Yotung*, from Haiphong, 1 Spanish
Priest, and 6 Chinese.

Per *Adria*, from Saigon, 80 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Malacca*, for Yokohama, Messrs
Bunting and Bayment.

Per *Mirapora*, for Shanghai, Messrs
Lazarus, Joseph, and Jamerson.

Per *Penedo*, for Bangkok, 20 Chinese.

Per *Charlotte Andrews*, for Quinhon, 6
Chinese.

Per *Messa*, for Fochow, 30 Chinese.

Per *Taiwan*, for Amoy, &c., 40 Chinese.
To DEPART.
Per *Patroclus*, for Shanghai, 2 Europeans.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Yotung* reports:
N.E. and Easterly wind and squally wea-
ther throughout.

The British steamer *Adria* reports:
Left Saigon on 10th inst., experienced light
to moderate S.W. winds and fine weather
up to the 12th, from thence light variable
airs and overcast.

The British steamer *Patroclus* reports:
Had strong S.W. gales to Finnisterre,
thence moderate weather. Fine in Medi-
terranean and Red Seas. Strong S.W.
monsoon to Galle, then light winds, arriving
at Penang July 4th. Left 5th, arrived
Singapore on the 7th, and left again on the
9th. Light wind to Pulo Sapata, and
sultry weather, thence moderate monsoon
and squally with rain.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For SHANGHAI.—
Per *NINGPO*, at 1.30 p.m. To-morrow,
the 17th inst.

Per *PATROCLUS*, at 3.30 p.m. To-
morrow, the 17th inst., instead of
as previously notified.

For HAIPHONG.—
Per Schooner *LOUISA*, at 3.30 p.m.
To-morrow, the 17th inst.

For SWATOW & AMOY.—
Per *FOOCHOW*, at 4.30 p.m. To-morrow,
the 17th inst.

For HOIHOW and HAIPHONG.—
Per *YOTUNG*, at 5 p.m., on Wednes-
day, the 18th inst.

For MANILA.—
Per *ESMERALDA*, at 11.80 a.m., on
Thursday, the 19th inst.

For SAIGON.—
Per *AMUTO*, at 5 p.m., on Thursday,
the 19th inst.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.
The United States Mail Packet *GAELIC*
will be despatched on TUESDAY,
the 17th Instant, with Mails for
Japan, San Francisco, and the United
States, which will be closed as fol-
lows:—

2 p.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes.

2.30 p.m. Correspondence for Japan the
United States or Union Coun-
tries only may be posted on
board the Packet with Late
Fee of 12 cents extra Postage
until

2.50 p.m. when the Mail is finally closed.
Hongkong, July 6, 1877. jyl7

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.
The French Packet *ANADYR*,
will be despatched from Hongkong
on SATURDAY, the 21st instant,
with Mails to and through the
United Kingdom and Europe, via
Marseilles; to Saigon, Singapore,
Batavia, Galle, Pondicherry, Ma-
dras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez,
and Alexandria.

The following will be the hours of closing
the Mails, &c.:—

Friday, 20th instant.—

5 p.m. Money Order Office closes. Post
Office closes except the News Box,
which remains open all night.

Saturday, 21st instant.—

7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale of
Stamps, Registry of Letters, and
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

11 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late
Letters.

11.10 a.m. Letters (but Letters only)
may be posted on payment of a
Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage,
until

11.30 a.m. when the Post Office Closes
entirely.
Hongkong, July 6, 1877. jyl21

General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, July 18:—

Noon.—*Douglas* leaves for Coast Ports.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Victoria Lodge.

THURSDAY, July 19:—

Noon.—*Esmeralda* leaves for Manila.

Goods per *Nepaul* and *Mirapora* undeliv-
ered after this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, July 20:—

Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs
Lane, Crawford & Co.

SATURDAY, July 21:—

Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of
Call and Europe.

Noon.—Sale of Steamer *Minna*.

TUESDAY, July 24:—

11 a.m.—Sale of Stock-in-trade, of Mc
Donald's Slip, West Point.

WEDNESDAY, July 25:—

3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the
H. O. & M. Steamboat Co., Limited,
at No. 50 A, Queen's Road.

THURSDAY, July 26:—

11 a.m.—Sale of American barkentine
Rosina, at Mr. J. M. Armstrong's Sale
Rooms.

FRIDAY, July 27:—

3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yoko-
hama and San Francisco.

TUESDAY, July 31:—

3 p.m.—Meetings of Shareholders of the
China Traders' Insurance Co., Limited,
at the Head Office, Hongkong.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW

Shipping.

2 p.m.—*Ningpo* leaves for Shanghai.

2 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s
Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San
Francisco.

Miscellaneous.

Transfer Books of the China Traders'
Insurance Co., Limited, closed from
this date to 31st August, (indefinite).

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Established A.D. 1841.

香港大藥房

A. S. WATSON & Co.,

FAMILY & DISPENSING CHEMISTS,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,
IMPORTERS

OF
DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, NURSERY REQUI-
SITES, TOILET REQUISITES, ENGLISH,
AMERICAN, AND FRENCH PATENT

MEDICINES.

MANUFACTURERS

Soda Water, Lemonade, Tonic Water,
Gingerade, Potass Water, Sarsaparilla
Water, and other Aerated Waters.

The Manufactory is under direct and
continuous European Supervision.

Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

The publication of this issue commenced
at 7.05 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, JULY 16, 1877.

We learn through a private source that
serious loss of life has been occasioned
at Fochow through the dilapidated state
of the Long Bridge, or, as the Chinese
term it, the *Wan-Shao-Kiao*, connecting
the two portions of the city. During
the recent heavy flood two arches of this
bridge were carried away by the water,
and the gap thus caused has not yet been
repaired. Communication between the
two shores has thus to be carried on by
boats, but owing to the rapidity of the
current, this method of crossing is at all
times attended with more or less danger.

About a fortnight ago, a boat was upset
during an attempt to effect the passage,
and six persons, who were in it, were
drowned. The passengers and the boat
disappeared under the water, and nothing
was seen of any of them again. A catas-
trophe, or rather a couple of catas-
trophes, of a more serious nature occur-
red only a few days ago, two ferry boats
having sunk on the same day in attempt-
ing to cross the river. Rain had fallen
in torrents for two days and nights pre-
viously, and apprehensions were at one
time entertained that another serious
flood would be the result. The conse-
quences on land, however, were no worse
than the flooding of the lower portions
of the city, and the collapse of a few
crazy buildings, but the river became
much swollen, and impassable except
with extreme danger. One ferry-boat
was swamped, and all its occupants
drowned, and later on in the day another,
attempting to make the passage with the
greatest possible caution, also came to
grief, both boat and passengers being
whirled away, and never seen again.

The broken bridge is now to be patched
up with wood-work at a cost of from
\$300 to \$500. It is a pity that the
mandarins cannot see the wisdom of
making substantial and permanent re-
pairs at once. Probably the rapidity of
the current could be lessened, and the
danger of these frequent floods averted
to a greater or less extent by the deep-
ening and widening of the channel of
the river by dredging. This work, and
the substantial repair of the bridge,
would, no doubt, cost a good round sum,
but money had better be spent in this
way than in the frequent relief of suf-
ferers from the floods, and constant
repairs here and there, to say nothing of
the misery and mortality arising from
the present state of things. But, like
all matters Chinese, temporary patchings
and superficial glosses are the order of
the day, and it never occurs to the
"celestial" mind to strike at the root
of these evils.

It seems that part of the drill imposed
on the Chinese soldier is the turning
of warlike somersaults. In the *Peking*
Gazette of the 20th June, there is a
memorial from the Director General of
the Yellow River Works, reporting that
he has inspected the brigade under his
orders, and that "the performance of
the soldiery in evolutions, ginal, spear,
shield and archery, and in turning war-
like somersaults, was of the most satis-
factory description." This is the first
mention we have observed of military
somersaults even in the Chinese army,
and whether they are performed to
elude cannon balls, or to frighten
the enemy is a matter on which
we are not enlightened. Certainly
a regiment of soldiers turning somer-
saunts on the field of battle would fix
the coolest beholders with astonishment,
and were the performers armed with
bayon

THE CHINA MAIL.

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL

and UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES

AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "GABRIO" will be dispatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 17th July, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai. Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 18th July. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6 months are issued at a reduction of 20 per cent. on regular rates.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, July 5, 1877. 1917

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,

POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ,

ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES,

AND MARSAILLES;

ALSO,

PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA AND BOMBAY.

ON SATURDAY, the 21st July, 1877, at Noon, the Company's S. S. "AVAL" will be dispatched for San Francisco, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIES, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Species will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Species and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 20th July, 1877. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

E. DE POUEY, Agent.

Hongkong, July 10, 1877. 1921

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA

OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING

AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer CITY OF

PEKING will be dispatched for San

Francisco, via Yokohama, on FRIDAY,

the 27th Instant, 1877, at 9 p.m., taking

Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the

United States, and Europe.

Through Passengers Tickets and Bills

of Lading are issued for transportation to

Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San

Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and

South America, and to New York and

Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS.

A Steamer of the Mitsui Bishi S. S. Com-

pany will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea

Ports, about same date, and make close

connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection

of various lines of Steamers to England,

France and Germany.

Freight will be received on board until

4 p.m., 20th Instant. Parcel Packages

will be received at the office until 5 p.m.

same day; all Parcel Packages should be

marked to address in full; value of same

is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland

Cargo should be sent to the Company's

Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the

Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For security's sake, Shippers of Overland

Cargo are requested to endorse on the

Envelope the Marks and Nos. of Packages

Shipped, to correspond with those in their

Bills of Lading.

For further information as to Passage

and Freight, apply to the Agency of the

Company, No. 3, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 12, 1877. 1927

ATONG, PHOTOGRAPHER,

by appointment, to

H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,

Governor of Hongkong;

and to

H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS

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Wyndham Street, formerly ATHLETIC CLUB.

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collection of Views of China, Pho-

tographic Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of

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supply of very handsome Basel Albums of

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Illuminated Albums for Portraits, Tobacco

Pouches, in Shape of Shields, Bags, &c.,

and a nice choice of Gilt Mountings for

Frames, &c.

Hongkong, March 23, 1877.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENTS at all the Treaty Ports of

China and Japan, and at Singapore,

Batavia and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance

granted at the rates of Premium current at

the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant

Policies against the Risk of FIRE on

Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on

Coals in Matched, on Goods on board

Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Har-

bour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-

ceived, and transmitted to the Directors

for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on

first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single

Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-

posals or any other information, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Agents Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above

Company, are prepared to grant In-

surances at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co.,

Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on

Marine Risks to all parts of the World.

In accordance with the Company's Articles

of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits

are distributed annually to Contributors,

whether Shareholders or not, in proportion

to the net amount of Premiums contributed

by each, the remaining third being carried

to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,

General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant

Policies against Fire to the extent of

\$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored

therein, at current local rates, subject to a

Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and

Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong

for the above Company, are prepared to

grant Policies against FIRE, to the

extent of £10,000 on any Building, or

on Merchandise in the same, at the

usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20

per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

of

His Majesty King George The First,

A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed

Agents for the above Corporation are

prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either

here, in London or at the principal Ports

of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at

current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding

£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned Agents are in receipt

of instructions from the Board of

Directors authorizing them to issue Policies

to the extent of £10,000 on any one first

class risk, or to the extent of £15,000 on

adjoining risks at current rates.

A Discount of 20% allowed.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, January 8, 1875.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed

Agents for the above Company at

Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai

and Hankow, and are prepared to grant

Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, October 14, 1873.

LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE Co.

THE BUSINESS of this COMPANY has

This Day been Transferred to THE

MARINE INSURANCE Co., of 20, Old

BROAD STREET, LONDON.

By Order of the Proprietors,

WILLIAM HUNT,

Secretary.

137, Leadenhall Street,

LONDON,

1st January, 1877.

THE MARINE INSURANCE Co.

20, Old Broad Street,

LONDON,

1st January, 1877.

ESTABLISHED 1836.

CAPITAL, £1,000,000 STERLING.

RESERVE FUND, £340,000

WITH Reference to the foregoing Adver-

tisement THE MARINE INSURANCE

Co. has This Day taken over the

Business of the LONDON & ORIENTAL

STEAM TRANSIT Co., and has Appointed

Mr. A. McIVER as its AGENT in Hong-

kong.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

ROBERT J. LODGE,

Manager.

THE Undersigned is prepared to Accept

Risks and issue Policies on behalf of the

MARINE INSURANCE Co. by any First Class

Steamer.

A. McIVER,

Agent of the Marine Insurance Co. of

LONDON.

Hongkong, February 16, 1877. 1917

HAMBURG-MAGDEBURG FIRE INSURANCE Co. OF HAMBURG.

THIS Company is now Prepared to

Issue Policies against LOSS or

DAMAGE by FIRE at Current Rates.

Every Risk taken by this Company is

participated in by Three of the largest

German Fire Insurance Companies, re-

presenting an aggregate Capital and Surplus

of over SIXTY MILLION MARKS,

equal to FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS,

thus enabling this Company to accept large

lines.

SANDER & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, June 28, 1877. 1926

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL TAKEN 400,000, EQUAL TO

\$655,555.55.

Directors.

LEE SING, of the Lai Hing Firm.

CHAN SHING LAR, of the Lai Yuen Firm.

WONG YEE FUN, of the Chun Cheong Wing

Firm.

LOO YEE, of the Yee On Firm.

FONG SOEY FUK, of the Tung Sang Wo

Firm.

WONG PAK CHEONG, of the San Tye Lee

Firm.